

Main Entry:abstrusePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: difficult to understand

Synonyms: abstract, enigmatic, esoteric, heavy obscure, perplexing, profound,

recondite, subtle, vague

Antonyms: concrete, lucid, obvious

Main Entry: accede
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: agree or consent

Synonyms: acquiesce, concede, concur condemn, demur, deny, refuse

Main Entry: accentuate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: focus attention on

Synonyms: accent, emphasize, feature,

Antonyms: mask
Main Entry: acclaim
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: expression of approval

Synonyms: acknowledgment, applause, approbation, eulogizing, exaltation

Antonyms: criticism, jeering, vituperation

Main Entry: acclaim
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: give approval

Synonyms: applaud, eulogize, exalt, extol berate, censure, vituperate

Main Entry: accolade
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: strong praise, recognition of achievement

Synonyms: approval, award, badge

Main Entry: accommodating

Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: willing to help

Synonyms: considerate, cooperative, handy, hospitable,

Antonyms: alienating, disobliging, estranged

Main Entry: accessible Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: approachable; ready for use

Synonyms: attainable, obtainable

Antonyms: limited, restricted

Main Entry: accord
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: agreement, mutual understanding (often written)

Synonyms: concert, concord, concurrence, congruence,

Notes: something (a quality) is in **accord** with something else; something

acts in **accordance** with something else (an activity)

Antonyms: antagonism, denial

Main Entry: accord
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: give approval, grant **Synonyms:** accede, acquiesce **Antonyms:** argue, deny, oppose

Main Entry: accost Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: approach for conversation or solicitation **Synonyms:** annoy, confront, entice, hail, proposition

Antonyms: dodge, evade

Main Entry: accretion

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: gradual growth, addition

Synonyms: accession, augmentation, increment

Antonyms: decrease, shrinkage

Main Entry: acerbic
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: bitter, sharp, or sour

Synonyms: acrid, astringent, caustic

Main Entry: acquiesce

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: agree with some reluctance

Synonyms: accede, concur

Antonyms: dissent, object, protest

Main Entry: Acrimony
Part of Speech: Noun

Definition: nasty behavior, speech

Synonyms: acerbity, asperity, irascibility, malevolence, malice, mordancy,

Antonyms: civility, courtesy, diplomacy, flattery, kindness, politeness, sweetness

Main Entry: Acumen
Part of Speech: Noun

Definition: ability to understand and reason

Synonyms: acuity, ingenuity, sagacity

Notes: acumen suggests that keenness relates to a person's mind, whereas

acuity suggests that it relates to a person's performance; acumen is something that a person has, whereas acuity is something that a

person displays

Antonyms: inability, ineptness, obtuseness

Main Entry: Acute
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: deeply perceptive

Synonyms: astute, incisive, keen, observant, perspicacious

Notes: acute is used for a sudden onset and short duration; chronic is for

conditions that are slow to develop and of long duration

acute is an angle of less than 90 degrees; **obtuse** is one of more

than 90 degrees

chronic is contrasted with **acute** as chronic pain persists over a longer period of time than acute pain and is resistant to most medical

treatments

Antonyms: imperceptive, obtuse

Main Entry: Acute
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: very important

Synonyms: afflictive, desperate, dire, grave

Antonyms: not serious, unimportant

Main Entry: Acute
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: severe, intense

Synonyms: excruciating, exquisite, poignant

Main Entry: Acute
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: having a sharp end or point synonyms: acicular, acuminate, cuspate

Antonyms: blunt, dull
Main Entry: Adamant
Part of Speech: Adjective
Definition: Unyielding

Synonyms: inexorable, insistent, intransigent, obdurate

Antonyms: flexible, pliant, yielding

Main Entry: adamant
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: hard like rock **Synonyms:** adamantine, flinty **Antonyms:** flexible, supple

Main Entry: Adept
Part of Speech: Adjective
Definition: very able

Synonyms: adroit, deft, dexterous, proficient, savvy

Antonyms: awkward, clumsy, inept

Main Entry: Adhere
Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: conform to or follow rules exactly

Synonyms: comply, heed

Notes: only things of a different nature can **adhere**; **cohere** is for things of

the same kind that stick together and form a whole

Antonyms: disjoin, not conform

Main Entry: Adhere
Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: stick or become stuck to, either physically or mentally

Synonyms: attach, cement, cleave,

Antonyms: loose, separate

Main Entry: Admonish

Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: warn, strongly criticize

Synonyms: advise, berate

Antonyms: applaud, commend, extol, laud

Main Entry: Adorn
Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: Decorate

Synonyms: array, bedeck, embellish

Antonyms: damage, deform, mar

Main Entry: Adroit
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: very able or skilled **Synonyms:** adept, apt, proficient **Antonyms:** awkward, clumsy, inept

Main Entry: Adulation
Part of Speech: Noun

Definition: overenthusiastic praise

Synonyms: applause, blandishment, fawning, sycophancy

Antonyms: abuse, criticism

Main Entry: Adulation
Part of Speech: Noun

Related

Adjectives: abject, adulatory, osculate, pliant, sycophantic, unctuous

Main Entry: Adumbrate

Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: Foreshadow

Synonyms: augur, intimate, mist, obfuscate, obscure, portend

Main Entry:AdversePart of Speech:Adjective

Definition: unfavorable, antagonistic

Synonyms: allergic to, contrary, detrimental, repugnant

Notes: aversion is something that originates from within, whereas

adversity is something that originates from without; **adverse** is usually applied to situations while **averse** is used to describe a

person's attitude

averse means reluctant or disinclined; adverse means hostile and

antagonistic

Antonyms: aiding, auspicious, propitious

Main Entry: Advocate
Part of Speech: Noun

Definition: person supporting an idea or cause publicly

Synonyms: apostle, counsel, exponent antagonist, assailant, enemy

Main Entry: Advocate
Part of Speech: Verb

Definition: support idea or cause publicly

Synonyms: bolster, countenance, tout, vindicate

Antonyms: Assail, impugn, oppose

Main Entry: Aerial
Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: occurring in the air

Synonyms: airy, ethereal, lofty, pneumatic

Antonyms: ground

Main Entry: aesthetic/esthetic

Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: beautiful or artful

Synonyms: artistic, creative, inventive

Antonyms: displeasing, ugly

Main Entry:AffablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:friendly

Synonyms: amiable, congenial, mild, urbane disdainful, grouchy, grumbling

Main Entry: affinity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: liking or inclination toward something **Synonyms:** affection, compatibility, druthers

Notes: an **affinity** is a relationship by marriage and **consanguinity** is a

blood relationship

Antonyms: dislike, hatred

Main Entry: affinity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: similarity

Synonyms: alliance, analogy, resemblance, semblance, similitude

Antonyms: dissimilarity
Main Entry: affluent
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: wealthy

Synonyms: opulent, stinking rich

Notes: to be **affluent** is to be prosperous or rich while **effluent** means

flowing out or forth

Antonyms: destitute, impoverished

Main Entry:affluentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:plentiful

Synonyms: abundant, bountiful insufficient, lacking

Main Entry:affrontPart of Speech:nounDefinition:an insult

Synonyms: abuse, slur, vexation

Notes: effrontery means shameless boldness or insulting

presumptuousness while an **affront** is a deliberately offensive act or

open insult

Antonyms: appeasement, compliment

Main Entry: aggrandize

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: cause something to seem or be greater, bigger

Synonyms: acclaim, applaud, augment

Antonyms: belittle, debase

Main Entry: aggregate
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: forming a collection from separate parts

Synonyms: ulaccumated, heaped, piled

Antonyms: individual, part

Main Entry:aggrievedPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: very distressed

Synonyms: afflicted, peeved, persecuted, woeful

Antonyms: happy, pleased

Main Entry:aggrievePart of Speech:verbDefinition:wrong

Synonyms: abuse, afflict, oppress

Main Entry:agilePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: physically or mentally nimble, deft

Synonyms: alert, dexterous, limber, lithe

Antonyms: brittle, clumsy, stiff

Main Entry:agnosticPart of Speech:noun

Definition: person unsure that God exists **Synonyms:** doubter, materialist, skeptic

Notes: an **agnostic** is one who believes that it is impossible to know

whether there is a God; an atheist is one who disbelieves or denies

the existence of God or gods

Antonyms: believer

Main Entry: agriculture

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: farming, crop production

Synonyms: agronomy, horticulture, tillage

Main Entry: able

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: capable of performing; having an innate capacity

Synonyms: adepte, adroit, agile, dexterous, endosse

Notes: able is having the necessary power to accomplish something while

capable means having the potential to accomplish something

Antonyms: ineffective, inept

Main Entry: alacrity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: liveliness; promptness

Synonyms: avidity, expedition, fervor, gaiety, hilarity, promptitude, zeal

Antonyms: apathy, aversion

Main Entry: alias

Part of Speech: adverb

Definition: otherwise known as

Synonyms: also called, also known as

Notes: an **alias** is an assumed name, an **alibi** is a form of defense whereby

a defendant attempts to prove that he or she was elsewhere when the crime in question was committed, while an **excuse** is an

explanation offered to justify or obtain forgiveness

Main Entry: alias
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: false name

Synonyms: moniker, nickname

Antonyms: name
Main Entry: allay

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: reduce something, usually a pain or a problem

Synonyms: abate, alleviate, assuage **Antonyms:** intensify, provoke, stir

Main Entry: allege Part of Speech: verb

Definition: assert; claim

Synonyms: adduce, aver, avouch, avow

Antonyms: contradict, deny, dissent, repudiate

Main Entry: alleviate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: relieve; lessen **Synonyms:** allay, assuage

Antonyms: aggravate, intensify, magnify

Main Entry: allocate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: assign; divide among **Synonyms:** allot, appropriate, mete

Notes: to **allocate** something is to set it aside for a specific purpose; to

allot something is to give it with an implied restriction and an

understanding of sharing

Antonyms: keep, keep together

Main Entry:aloofPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:remote

Synonyms: casual, detached, incurious, uppity

Antonyms: concerned, friendly

Main Entry: altercation

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: fight, often verbal

Synonyms: bickering, brawl, embroilment

Antonyms: concord, harmony, union

Main Entry: amalgamate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: blend

Synonyms: coalesce, consolidate, fuse, interface, meld

Antonyms: divide, separate

Main Entry:ambiguousPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: having more than one meaning

Synonyms: cryptic, dubious, enigmatic, tenebrous

Notes: ambiguous is vague by accident or intent; equivocal is vague by

intent

Antonyms: clear, explicit, lucid

Main Entry:ambivalentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:conflicting

Synonyms: clashing, contradictory, debatable, equivocal, wavering

Antonyms: definite, settled, unequivocal

Main Entry: ameliorate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make, become better

Synonyms: alleviate, amend, meliorate

Antonyms: worsen

Main Entry:amenablePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: willing, cooperative

Synonyms: acquiescent, docile, obedient, open, pliable

Antonyms: intractable, unwilling

Main Entry: amenable

adjective

Definition: able to be judged; responsible **Synonyms:** accountable, liable, subject

Antonyms: irresponsible

Main Entry: amenity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: pleasant thing

Synonyms: advantage, extravagance, facility, frill, superfluity

Antonyms: abomination, inconvenience

Main Entry: amenity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: pleasing, agreeable behavior

Synonyms: amiability, etiquette, gallantry, geniality, gentility, suavity

Antonyms: disruption, misbehavior

Main Entry:amiablePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: friendly, agreeable **Synonyms:** affable, amicable

Notes: amicable implies being well disposed; amiable is acting well

disposed and amiable is commonly applied only to people - though sometimes it is used for occasions, while amicable is not applied to people at all but to human interactions and their outcomes:

people at all but to human interactions and their outcomes; amiable first meant 'kind' or 'lovely, lovable' and amicable first

applied to things and meant 'pleasant, benign'

Antonyms: crabby, mean, surly

Main Entry:amicablePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: friendly, especially regarding an agreement

Synonyms: accordant, amiable

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and amicable first applied to things and meant 'pleasant, benign'

Antonyms: hostile, unfriendly

Main Entry: amorous

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: loving, affectionate

Synonyms: amative, aphrodisiac, ardent,

Antonyms: cold, frigid, hateful

Main Entry:amorphousPart of Speech:Adjective

Definition: without definite shape, character

Synonyms: baggy, blobby, inchoate

Antonyms: definite, distinct

Main Entry: analgesic

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: pain remover

Synonyms: anesthetic, anodyne, painkiller

Notes: an **anesthetic** induces insensibility, an **analgesic** makes you feel no

pain, while an **anodyne** removes your cares

Main Entry:analogousPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: agreeing, similar

Synonyms: consonant, convertible, kindred, resembling

Notes: homologues features are those that were originally the same in

evolutionary development but have adapted differently (arms of humans, forelegs of cats, etc.); **analogous** features are those that resemble one another in function but are traceable back to completely different origins when a comparison is of such a nature that it comprises three terms, then

comparable is the word to use; when it comprises four terms, the

relation requires the word **analogous**

Antonyms: disagreeing, disparate

Main Entry: anarchist
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: person who opposes the idea of government and laws

Synonyms: agitator, insurgent, malcontent, mutineer

Main Entry: Anathema

Part of Speech: Noun

Definition: something hated

Synonyms: abomination, bane, detestation

Antonyms: love

Main Entry: anecdote

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: interesting or amusing story **Synonyms:** episode, gag, incident, recital

Notes: an **antidote** is a remedy or other agent used to neutralize or

counteract the effects of a poison; an agent is a force or substance that relieves or counteracts; an **anecdote** is a short

account of an interesting or humorous incident

Main Entry: anesthesia/anesthesia

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: induced sleep; induced absence of feeling **Synonyms:** analgesia, insentience, numbness, stupor

Main Entry: anguish

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: severe upset or pain

Synonyms: affliction, agony, dole, pang, rue

Antonyms: comfort, contentment, joy, solace

Main Entry: animate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: bring to life

Synonyms: arouse, enliven, exalt, spark, spur, stimulate, vivify

Antonyms: deaden, kill

Main Entry: annul Part of Speech: verb

Definition: void an agreement

Synonyms: abate, abrogate, annihilate, rescind

Antonyms: retain, revalidate, validate

Main Entry: annul
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: void an agreement

Synonyms: abate, abolish, abrogate, annihilate

Antonyms: retain, revalidate, validate

Main Entry: anomaly
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: deviation from normal, usual

Synonyms: aberration, eccentricity, incongruity, oddity

Antonyms: conformity, regularity

Main Entry:anonymousPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: unknown, usually by choice

Synonyms: bearding, incognito **Antonyms:** Known, identified

Main Entry: antagonism

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: causing problem; opposition

Synonyms: animosity, antipathy, antithesis, rancor

Antonyms: accord, agreement

Main Entry:antecedentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:prior

Definition: prior

Synonyms: anterior, foregoing, former, precedent

Antonyms: after, following

Main Entry: antecedent(s)

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: predecessor(s) in family

Synonyms: ancestor, descent, genealogy, progenitor

Antonyms: descendant

Main Entry: antediluvian

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: out-of-date; prehistoric

Synonyms: ancient, antiquated, archaic, hoary, obsolete,

Antonyms: modern, young

Main Entry: anthology
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: literary collection

Synonyms: album, analects, compendium, omnibus

Main Entry: antipathy
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: strong dislike, disgust

Synonyms: abhorrence, animosity, antagonism, aversion, enmity,

eschewal, evasion

Antonyms: admiration, appreciation, esteem

Main Entry:antiquatedPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:obsolete

Synonyms: aged, ancient, antediluvian, archaic

Antonyms: modern, new, recent

Main Entry:antisepticPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: completely clean, uncontaminated; decontaminating

Synonyms: antibiotic, aseptic, prophylactic

Antonyms: contaminated, unsanitary, unsterile

Main Entry: antithesis

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: exact opposite

Synonyms: reverse
Antonyms: same

Main Entry: anxiety
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: worry, tension

Synonyms: angst, apprehension, bumps,

Antonyms: composure, contentment, tranquility

Main Entry:apatheticPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: uncaring, disinterested

Synonyms: callous, languid, moony, stoic, stolid concerned, interested, responsive

Main Entry:apocryphalPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: questionable; fake

Synonyms: dubious, equivocal, mythical, spurious

Antonyms: authentic, real

Main Entry:appallingPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:horrifying

Synonyms: astounding, daunting, grim **Antonyms:** encouraging, reassuring

Main Entry: apprehend

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: catch and arrest
Synonyms: Seize, capture
Antonyms: lose, not catch

Main Entry: approbation

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: praise

Synonyms: admiration, endorsement criticism, disapprobation

Main Entry:appropriatePart of Speech:adjective

Definition: suitable

Synonyms: appurtenant, apropos, congruous, felicitous, germane,

pertinent

Antonyms: improper, unsuited

Main Entry: aquatic Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: occurring in water

Synonyms: amphibian, marine, watery

Main Entry: arable Part of Speech: adjective **Definition:** farmable

cultivable, plow able, tillable Synonyms:

Antonyms: infertile

Main Entry: arbiter Part of Speech: noun

Definition: person who settles dispute

Synonyms: arbitrator, maven, mediator, moderator

Notes: an arbitrator is appointed; an arbiter has no such authority but

his/her opinion is

valued

Main Entry: Arbitrary Part of Speech: Adjective

Definition: whimsical, chance

Synonyms: capricious, discretionary, erratic, frivolous, supercilious

Antonyms: circumspect, rational

Main Entry: Arbitrary Part of Speech: Adjective **Definition:** Dictatorial

Synonyms: autocratic, despotic, imperious, peremptory, tyrannical,

Antonyms: democratic

Main Entry: Arbitration Noun

Part of Speech:

Definition: settlement of dispute

Synonyms: adjustment, determination, mediation

Main Entry:ArcanePart of Speech:Adjective

Definition: hidden, secret

Synonyms: cabalistic, esoteric, occult, recondite

Antonyms: common, normal, outward

Main Entry:ArchaicPart of Speech:AdjectiveDefinition:very old

Synonyms: ancient, primitive, superannuated

Antonyms: modern, new

Main Entry:ArchetypalPart of Speech:AdjectiveDefinition:most typical

Synonyms: clichéd, exemplary, hackneyed, paradigmatic,

quintessential

Antonyms: atypical, unique

Main Entry: ardor
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: enthusiasm

Synonyms: avidity, devotion, gusto, vehemence

arid

Antonyms: coldness, frigidity

Main Entry: arid

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: dry

Synonyms: barren, parched damp, humid, moist

Main Entry:

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: uninterested, spiritless **Synonyms:** insipid, tedious, vapid

Antonyms: interested, lively, spirited

Main Entry: arrogate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: claim without justification

Synonyms: assume, confiscate, expropriate

Antonyms: appropriate

Main Entry:artisanPart of Speech:noun

Definition: craftsperson

Synonyms: artificer, master, professional

Main Entry: ascertain
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make sure

Synonyms: confirm, determine

Main Entry:asceticPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:self-denying

Synonyms: abstaining, abstemious, austere

Main Entry: ascribe
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: assign to source **Synonyms:** accredit, impute

Main Entry: aspersion
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: verbal exhibition of bad temper

Synonyms: calumny, defamation, invective, obloquy

Notes: baptism by sprinkling is **aspersion**, by dipping is

immersion, by pouring water is affusion

Antonyms: calmness, kindness

Main Entry:aspirePart of Speech:verb

Definition: aim, hope

Synonyms: crave, hanker, pursue

Main Entry: assail Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: attack, usually with words

Synonyms: <u>assault, impugn, lambaste, malign, revile, vilify</u>

Notes: to **assail** a task is to approach it with the intent of mastering it,

from Latin salire 'to leap'; assault is also based on this word and

assail and assault can be synonyms

Main Entry: assess
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: evaluate, determine

Synonyms: appraise, gauge, peg, reckon

Main Entry:assiduousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:hard-working

Synonyms: diligent, grinding, indefatigable, sedulous

Antonyms: lazy, negligent

Main Entry: assuage Part of Speech: verb

Definition: soothe, relieve

Synonyms: alleviate, mitigate, mollify, pacify, quench, tranquilize

Antonyms: exacerbate, upset

Main Entry:astutePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:perceptive

Synonyms: adroit, perspicacious, sagacious

Antonyms: asinine, imbecile, obtuse

Main Entry:asylumPart of Speech:nounDefinition:refuge

Synonyms: ivory, sanctuary, security

Main Entry: asylum
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: psychiatric hospital **Synonyms:** institution, sanatorium

Main Entry:atonePart of Speech:verb

Definition: compensate; make amends for former misdoing

Synonyms: appease, expiate

Main Entry: atrophy
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: wasting away, disintegration

Synonyms: decline, degeneracy, deterioration

Main Entry: attain
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: achieve, accomplish

Synonyms: acquire, reap, score, snag

Notes: obtain means to come into possession of; attain means to gain with

effort

Antonyms: abandon, forfeit, surrender

Main Entry: attribute
Part of Speech: noun
Definition: feature

Synonyms: aspect, facet, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity, quirk, trait

Main Entry: attribute
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: ascribe, assign to source **Synonyms:** apply, associate, connect

Main Entry: atypical Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: nonconforming

Synonyms: aberrant, anomalous, divergent, heteroclite

Antonyms: conforming, normal, ordinary

Main Entry: audacious
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: reckless, daring

Synonyms: dauntless, gutty, intrepid, valiant

Antonyms: gentle, meek, timid, yielding

Main Entry:audaciousPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: arrogant, presumptuous

Synonyms: bantam, brash, defiant, impertinent, impudent

Antonyms: humble, modest, timid

Main Entry: audible
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: able to be heard

Synonyms: aural, discernible, perceptible

Antonyms: inaudible

Main Entry: augment

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make greater; improve

Synonyms: <u>aggrandize</u>, <u>amplify</u>, <u>intensify</u>, <u>magnify</u>

Notes: augment means to add more of the same thing; supplement

means to add something, usually to make up for a deficiency

Antonyms: decrease, degrade

Main Entry: auspicious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: encouraging; favorable

Synonyms: felicitous, halcyon, propitious

Notes: auspicious implies success in the future while propitious

means favorable conditions are present; auspicious means promising or of good omen - not just special or memorable

Antonyms: inauspicious, inopportune, ominous

Main Entry: austere
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: severe in manner

Synonyms: ascetic, inexorable, obdurate, stern bland, calm, gentle, meek, mild

Main Entry: austere
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: refraining; abstinent

Synonyms: abstemious, chaste, economical, puritanical

Antonyms: elaborate, extravagant, indulgent

Main Entry: avarice
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: extreme greed

Synonyms: avidity, cupidity, frugality, parsimony

Antonyms: generosity, philanthropy

Main Entry: avenge
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: retaliate

Synonyms: chasten, punish, redress, vindicate

Main Entry: aversion
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: dislike; opposition

Synonyms: abhorrence, abomination, allergy, animosity, antagonism,

antipathy, detestation

Notes: aversion is something that originates from within, whereas

adversity is something that originates from without; adverse

is usually applied to situations while averse is used to

describe a person's attitude

Antonyms: affection, care, fondness

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Main Entry: balk
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: stop short

Synonyms: demur, evade, refuse, resist

Main Entry: balk
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: thwart

Synonyms: baffle, counteract, disconcert, foil

Antonyms: aid, help

Main Entry: ballad Part of Speech: noun

Definition: narrative song

Synonyms: chant, ditty, serenade

Main Entry: banal

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: commonplace

Synonyms: bland, hackneyed, insipid, mundane, pabulum, pedestrian

Antonyms: new, original

Main Entry: bane

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: cause of misery

Synonyms: affliction, calamity, nuisance, pest, plague, scourge, venom, woe

Antonyms: fortune, good luck

Main Entry: battery
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: series of similar things **Synonyms:** array, bunch, cluster

Notes: assault is an attempt or threat to do physical harm while battery is

unjustified application of force; assault and battery is carrying out of

threatened physical harm or violence

Antonyms: individual

Main Entry: battery
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: physical abuse

Synonyms: assault, mayhem, mugging, onslaught

Main Entry: beguile

Part of Speech: *verb* **Definition:** fool

Synonyms: betray, con, dupe, entice, lure, manipulate

Main Entry: benign
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: kindly

Synonyms: amiable, complaisant, congenial

Notes: benign refers to a trait or characteristic; benignant to a tendency or

disposition

Antonyms: hateful, hostile, malignant

Main Entry: benign **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: mild, especially describing weather

Synonyms: auspicious, balmy, fortunate, propitious, temperate

Antonyms: bad, severe

Main Entry: bequeath

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: give in a will

Synonyms: Bestow, grant, impart, transmit

Notes:

Antonyms: Take

Main Entry: berate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: criticize hatefully

Synonyms: Castigate, censure, rebuke, reprimand, reproach, revile,

scorch

Antonyms: Compliment, hail, praise

Main Entry: bereft

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: lacking; missing

 $Synonyms: \qquad \hbox{ Deprived, destitute, devoid, impoverished}$

Notes:

Antonyms: Full, happy

Main Entry: beseech

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: beg

Synonyms: Crave, entreat, implore, invoke, petition, and solicit

Antonyms: Give, offer

Main Entry:bilkPart of Speech:verbDefinition:cheat

Synonyms: beat, circumvent, con, thwart, trick

Notes:

Antonyms: Give

Main Entry: blandish

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: flatter

Synonyms: Allure, beguile, coax, entice

Antonyms:

Main Entry:blemishPart of Speech:nounDefinition:flaw

Synonyms: clamorous, effervescent, impetuous, obstreperous,

rambunctious, raucous, rowdy

Notes:

Antonyms: Bloom, blur, lump, macula, scar, smudge, snag

Main Entry: blight

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: disease; plague

Synonyms: Affliction, pest, rot, scourge

Antonyms: Blessing, boon

Main Entry: boisterous

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: noisy and mischievous

Synonyms: Calm, restrained

Notes:

Antonyms:

Main Entry: bombastic

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: pompous, grandiloquent

Synonyms: Common, conservative, conventional

Antonyms: Humble, quiet, reserved, restrained

Main Entry: boon Part of Speech: noun

Definition: advantage

Synonyms: Benevolence, gift, grant, gratuity

Notes:

Antonyms: Disadvantage

Main Entry: bourgeois

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: commonplace

Synonyms:

Antonyms: Adventurous, imaginative, inspired

Main Entry: brazen Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: brash, unashamed

Audacious, blatant, defiant, impertinent, impudent, **Synonyms:**

meretricious

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Main Entry: cacophony

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: dissonance

Synonyms: Discord, harshness

Notes:

Antonyms:

Main Entry: cadence

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: rhythm

Synonyms: Accent, intonation, swing

Antonyms:

Main Entry: cajole Part of Speech: verb

Definition: attempt to coax; flatter

Synonyms: Banter, inveigle, maneuver, tantalize

Notes:

Antonyms: Bully, repel

Main Entry: callous

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: cruel, insensitive

Synonyms: apathetic, unsusceptible **Notes: callus** is a hard patch of skin;

callous is an adjective meaning 'indifferent to suffering' or

'hardened'

Antonyms: Compassionate, tender

Main Entry: calumny
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: slander

Synonyms: Defamation, lie

Notes:

Antonyms:

Main Entry: candor

Part of Speech: *noun*

Definition: complete honesty

Synonyms: naiveté, probity, unequivocalness, veracity

Antonyms: Artifice, deception, guile

Main Entry: canvas
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: coarse material

Synonyms: Tarpaulin, tenting

Notes: Notes: canvas is the noun (fabric etc.) and canvass is

generally a verb (to solicit, question) - though a canvass can be

an examination of pros and cons

Antonyms:

Main Entry: capacious

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: ample, extensive

Synonyms: Abundant, dilatable, vast, voluminous

Antonyms: Cramped, squeezed

Main Entry: capitulate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: give in

Synonyms: Bow, succumb, yield

Notes: recapitulate means to briefly summarize and repeat the main

points; capitulate means to surrender under agreed conditions

Antonyms: Defend, fight

Main Entry: capricious

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: given to sudden behavior change

Synonyms: arbitrary, erratic, mutable, notional, vagarious

Antonyms: Constant, dependable, staid

Main Entry: captivate
Part of Speech: verb

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: attract, enchant

Synonyms: Allure, beguile, enrapture, gratify, infatuate, intrigue

Notes:

Antonyms: Disgust, disillusion

Main Entry: carouse

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make merry, often with liquor

Synonyms: Frolic, imbibe, quaff, Cain, roister, wassail

Antonyms: Sad, grieve

Main Entry: catalog/catalogue

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: written or printed matter featuring a selection of objects

Synonyms: Cartulary, compendium, synopsis

Catalyze-no thesaurus results

Main Entry: caucus Part of Speech: noun

Definition: group gathered to make decision

Synonyms: Assembly, conclave, convention, council, parley

Main Entry: caustic Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: burning, corrosive

Synonyms: Acerbic, corroding, mordant, pungent, tart

Antonyms: Calm, mild

Main Entry: cavort Part of Speech: verb

Definition: frolic, prance

Synonyms: Caper, caracole,

Main Entry: censure Part of Speech: noun

Definition: severe criticism

Synonyms: admonition, condemnation, obloquy, rebuke, remonstrance,

reprimand

Notes: to **censor** is to disallow portions or the entireties of books, plays, etc. on the grounds that they transgress propriety, 'to scrutinize, revise, or cut,' expurgate or suppress; to **censure** is to criticize vehemently or harshly, or condemn

Antonyms: Approval, compliment, endorsement, ratification, recommendation,

Cerebal - no thesaurus results

Main Entry: chaos Part of Speech: noun

Definition: utter confusion

Synonyms: bedlam, clutter, entropy, muddle, pandemonium, turmoil

Antonyms: Calm, harmony

Main Entry: chastise Part of Speech: verb

Definition: scold, discipline

Synonyms: Berate, castigate, censure, upbraid

Notes: chasten means to correct by punishment, to take to task - to restrain or subdue; **chastise** means to punish, as by beating or to criticize severely

Antonyms: Cheer, compliment

Main Entry: cherish Part of Speech: verb

Definition: care about deeply

Synonyms: adore, nurture

Notes: cherish means to be fond of, be attached to, while **nurture** means to bring up, help develop, help grow, or provide with nourishment

Antonyms: Abandon, denounce

Main Entry: chide Part of Speech: verb

Definition: criticize, lecture

Synonyms: Admonish, berate, exprobate

Antonyms: Compliment, laud

Choreography No thesaurus result

Chronicle - No thesaurus results

Main Entry: chronological Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: in consecutive time

Synonyms: Historical, juncture, progressive

Main Entry: circuitous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: going around, indirect

Synonyms: Ambiguous, labyrinthine, oblique, rambling

Antonyms: Direct, straight

Main Entry: circumlocution

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: indirect speech

Synonyms: Euphemism, periphrases, pleonasm, prolixity, tautology

Antonyms: Conciseness, terseness

Main Entry: circumscribe

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: mark off, delimit

Synonyms: Confine, delineate, girdle, trammel

Antonyms: Free, open

Main Entry: circumspect Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: cautious, discreet

Synonyms: Cagey, canny, meticulous, prudent, sagacious

Antonyms: Audacious, rash

Main Entry: circumvent

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: fool, mislead

Synonyms: beguile, bilk, hoodwink, outflank

Notes: circumnavigate means to proceed completely around while **circumvent** means to avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing duties, questions, or issues

Antonyms: Aid, permit

Main Entry: clairvoyant Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: intuitive, psychic

Synonyms: Discerning, judicious, prescient, prophetic

Main Entry: clamor Part of Speech: noun

Definition: loud cry; commotion

Synonyms: agitation, pandemonium, ruckus, vociferation

Antonyms: Quiet, silence

Main Entry:clandestinePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:secret, sly

Synonyms: Covert, illegitimate, illicit

Antonyms: Forthright, truthful

Main Entry: cleave Part of Speech: verb

Definition: divide, split

Synonyms: Hack, hew, whack

Antonyms: Join, meld, and unite

Main Entry: clemency Part of Speech: noun

Definition: forgiveness

Synonyms: Compassion, endurance,

Antonyms: No mercy

Main Entry: clergy Part of Speech: noun

Definition: ministry of church

Synonyms: Canonry, ecclesiastics, pastorate

Notes: clergy first meant 'learning, scholarship' and **clerk** had the original meaning 'man ordained to the Christian ministry'

Main Entry:cloyingPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:sickly sweet

Synonyms: Drippy, mushy, saccharine, sappy

coagulate **Main Entry:** Part of Speech: verb **Definition:** clot

Synonyms: Coalesce, consolidate, curdle, gelatinize

Antonyms: Dilute, melt, unclog

Main Entry: coalesce Part of Speech: verb

Definition: blend, come together

Synonyms: Amalgamate,

Antonyms: Divide, separate

cobbler Main Entry: Part of Speech: noun **Definition:**

shoemaker

Synonyms: Boot maker, cordwainer, shoe repairman

Main Entry: coerce Part of Speech: verb

Definition: compel, press

Synonyms: Beset, impel, menace,

Antonyms: Leave alone

Main Entry: cogent Part of Speech: adjective **Definition:** effective

Synonyms: Apt, conclusive puissant

Antonyms: Impotent, invalid

Main Entry: cognizant

Part of Speech: adjective **Definition:** aware

Synonyms: Apprehensive

Antonyms: Ignorant, unaware

Main Entry: coherent
Part of Speech: adjective
Understandable

Synonyms: Articulate, consistent, lucid

Antonyms: Disorganized

Main Entry: collateral Part of Speech adjective

Definition: indirect, secondary

Synonyms: Accessory, appurtenant, concurrent

Antonyms Chief, principal

Main Entry: colloquial Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: particular, familiar to an area, informal

Synonyms: Chatty, demotic, dialectal, jive

Antonyms: Formal, standard

Main Entry: collusion Part of Speech: noun

Definition: secret understanding, often with intent to defraud

Synonyms: Diddling, graft, , intrigue

Notes: cooperation is always positive, collaboration is positive except in wartime (working with the enemy), and collusion is always negative (working together in secret for a dishonest purpose)

Main Entry: colossus Part of Speech: noun **Definition:**

giant thing

Synonyms: Cyclops, behemoth, leviathan, mammoth

Main Entry: combustion

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: explosion; on fire

Synonyms: Agitation, candescence, tumult

Commendation - no thesaurus results

Main Entry: commensurate

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: adequate, corresponding

Synonyms: Appropriate, coextensive

Antonyms: Inadequate, incommensurate

Main Entry: commodious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: ample, spacious

Synonyms: Capacious, extensive

Antonyms: Confined, cramped

compelling **Main Entry:** Part of Speech: adjective **Definition:** irresistible

Synonyms: Coercive, fascinating, imperative

Antonyms: Discretional, elective, optional

Main Entry: compensate

Part of Speech: verh

Definition: make restitution

Synonyms: Guerdon, recompense, recoup

Antonyms: Deprive, forfeit

Main Entry: complacency

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: contentment

Synonyms: Satisfaction, smugness

Main Entry: complement

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: companion, counterpart

Synonyms: Aggregate, augmentation, consummation

Complicit - No thesaurus results

Main Entry:compliantPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:obedient

Synonyms: Docile meek, submissive,

Antonyms: Recalcitrant

Main Entry: compliment

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: praise, flattery

Synonyms: Adulation, cajolery, eulogy, laud, ovation, panegyric

Notes: complement is 'to complete, round out' and **compliment** is 'to praise or admire' and as a noun it is an expression of praise or admiration

Antonyms: Censure, denunciation, slander

Main Entry: compound

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: combination, mixture

Synonyms: Aggregate, amalgam, conglomerate, fusion, medley

Main Entry: confection Part of Speech: noun

Definition: sweet food

Synonyms: Candy, dainty

Main Entry: confidant Part of Speech: noun

Definition: close friend

Synonyms: Acquaintance, adherent,

Notes: a person entrusted with private information is a **confidante** (feminine) or **confidant** (masculine)

Antonyms: Enemy, foe

Main Entry: conflagration

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: large fire

Synonyms: Blaze, holocaust, inferno

Main Entry: confluence

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: coming together

Synonyms: Concurrence, convergence

Main Entry: conformist

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: person in agreement

Synonyms: Bourgeois, emulator

Main Entry:confoundPart of Speech:verbDefinition:confuse

Synonyms: Abash, perplex

Antonyms: Clarify, enlighten

Main Entry: congeal
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: coagulate

Synonyms: Concrete, gelato,

Antonyms: Dissolve, melt,

Main Entry: congenial Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: friendly, compatible

Synonyms: Affable, congruous,

Antonyms: Incompatible, uncongenial

Main Entry: congregation

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: assembled group, especially concerned with church-going

Synonyms: Aggregation,

Main Entry:congruityPart of Speech:nounDefinition:agreement

Synonyms: accord, coherence, compatible

Antonyms: Conflict

Main Entry: connive Part of Speech: verb

Definition: plot, scheme

Synonyms: <u>Cabal</u>, <u>cogitate</u>,

Notes: one **connives** at something but **conspires** with somebody

Main Entry: consecrate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: hold in high religious regard

Synonyms: Anoint, exalt, sanctify, venerate

Antonyms: Deprecate

Main Entry: consensus Part of Speech: noun

Definition: general agreement

Synonyms: Concurrence, consent, unison

Notes: a **census** is an official, periodic, count of the population; a **consensus** is an agreement in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

Antonyms: Disagreement

Main Entry: consign Part of Speech: verb

Definition: entrust, hand over for care

Synonyms: Commend to, confide

Antonyms: Hold, retain

Main Entry: consolation

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: relief, comfort

Synonyms: Alleviation, lenity,

Notes: solace is a form of comfort given to one who is in sorrow or distress; **consolation** is an act of offering such comfort, or the result of such comfort having been provided

Antonyms: Agitation, antagonism

Main Entry: consonant Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: agreeing, consistent

Synonyms: Agnate, analogous, congenial, congruous

Antonyms: Dissonant, incongruous

Main Entry: constituent Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: component, part

Synonyms: Division, elemental, integral

Antonyms: Whole.

Main Entry: construe Part of Speech: verb

Definition: deduce; explain

Synonyms: Analyze, decipher, explicate

Main Entry:consummatePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:ultimate, best

Synonyms: Accomplished, transcendent, unmitigated

Antonyms: Incomplete, worst

Main Entry:contentiousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:quarrelsome

Synonyms: Antagonistic, belligerent, combative, petulant, querulous

Main Entry: contravene Part of Speech: verb

Definition: go against, contradict

Synonyms: abjure, counteract, impugn, infringe, refute, repudiate, spurn,

thwart, transgress, traverse

Antonyms: Aid, assent, and concur

Main Entry:contritePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:regretful

Synonyms: Apologetic, chastened, compunctious,

Antonyms: Mean, unrepentant

Main Entry: conundrum

Part of Speech: noun
Definition: puzzle

Synonyms: Enigma, mystery

Main Entry: convene Part of Speech: verb

Definition: bring together; meet

Synonyms: Congregate, convoke, corral

Antonyms: Adjourn, disperse

Main Entry: convention Part of Speech: noun

Definition: conference

Synonyms: Confab

Main Entry:convivialPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:fun-loving

Synonyms: Genial, hilarious, jocund

Antonyms: Blah, solemn, staid

Main Entry:convolutedPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:complicated

Synonyms: Intricate, labyrinthine, serpentine, tangled

Antonyms: Simple

Main Entry:copiousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:abundant

Synonyms: Exuberant, galore

Antonyms: Lacking, meager

Main Entry: corpulence

Part of Speech: noun obesity

Synonyms: Portliness, stoutness

Main Entry: corroborate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: back up information, story

Synonyms: Approve, , validate

Notes: corroborate is used in a narrower context, usually by way of providing support for testimony in a legal proceeding; **confirm** is to lend support to a much wider array of things

Antonyms: Contradict, deny

Main Entry: corrosive Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: consuming, wearing; bitter

Synonyms: Acerbic, acrid, caustic,

Antonyms: Contributing, fortifying

Main Entry:cosmopolitanPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:worldly-wise

Synonyms: Catholic, ecumenical, gregarious,

Antonyms: Country, rustic

Main Entry: counteract Part of Speech: verb

Definition: do opposing action

Synonyms: Buck, contravene

Main Entry: cupidity Part of Speech: noun

Definition: greed, strong desire

Synonyms: Avarice, avidity, craving, infatuation, voracity

Antonyms: Dislike, distaste

Main Entry: cursory
Part of Speech: adjective
Casual, hasty

Synonyms: Desultory, haphazard, perfunctory

Notes: cursory means 'superficial'; cursorial is 'pertaining or adapted to running'

Antonyms: Complete, meticulous

Main Entry:curtPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:abrupt, rude

Synonyms: Blunt, brusque, churlish, concise, laconic, peremptory,

succinct

Antonyms: Ceremonious, gracious

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Main Entry: daunt Part of Speech: verb

Definition: frighten, alarm

Synonyms: Baffle, consternate, intimidate, thwart

Antonyms: Assist, embolden, incite,

Main Entry: dearth Part of Speech: noun

Definition: insufficiency, scarcity

Synonyms: Defect, exiguousness, paucity

Antonyms: Abundance, excess

Main Entry: debacle Part of Speech: noun

Definition: catastrophe

Synonyms: collapse, defeasance, fiasco, havoc,

Antonyms: Boon, miracle

Main Entry: debase Part of Speech: verb

Definition: degrade, shame

Synonyms: abase, cripple, debauch, demean

Antonyms: Elevate, laud, praise

Main Entry: debauch Part of Speech: verb

Definition: deprave, corrupt

Synonyms: Debase, defile, intrigue, inveigle, vitiate

Main Entry: debunk Part of Speech: verb

Definition: disprove, ridicule

Synonyms: discover, disparage

Antonyms: Prove, uphold

Main Entry: decorous .
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: appropriate, suitable

Synonyms: Decent, demure, sedate, staid

Antonyms: Impolite, unrefined

Main Entry: decry Part of Speech: verb

Definition: criticize, blame

Synonyms: Abuse, asperse, calumniate, censure, reprobate, vilify

Antonyms: Applaud, exalt, laud

Main Entry: deface Part of Speech: verb

Definition: mar, mutilate

Synonyms: Blemish, contort, dilapidate, obliterate

Antonyms: Adorn, embellish, mend

Main Entry: defamatory Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: libelous, slanderous

Synonyms: Abusive, calumnious, contumelious, denigrating

Antonyms: Approving, commending, exalting

Main Entry: defer Part of Speech: verb

Definition: hold off, put off

Synonyms: Adjourn, procrastinate, remit, retard

Antonyms: Advance, expedite, and forge

Main Entry: deferential Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: respectful, considerate

Synonyms: Courteous, insinuative, obsequious, reverential, saccharine

Notes: deferential means showing courteous expression of regard or respect; difference is the quality of being unlike or dissimilar; differential means relating to or showing a difference or the quality of the difference between similar things

Antonyms: Arrogant, immodest

Main Entry: defile Part of Speech: verb

Definition: corrupt, violate

Synonyms: Adulterate, besmirch, contaminate, debase

Antonyms: Clean, purify, sanctify

Main Entry:deftPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:agile, clever

Synonyms: adept, adroit, apt

Antonyms: Awkward, clumsy, inept

Main Entry: defunct Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: extinct, not functioning

Synonyms: inanimate, invalid, obsolete

Antonyms: Alive, operative, valid

Main Entry: delegate Part of Speech: noun

Definition: representative, often governmental

Synonyms: Emissary, envoy, senator, surrogate

Main Entry: deleterious **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: harmful, damaging

Synonyms: Bad, destructive, detrimental, pernicious

Antonyms: Aiding, helpful

Main Entry: deliberate
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: intentional

Synonyms: Advised, conscious, scrupulous,

Antonyms: Chance, indeterminate

Main Entry: delineate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: describe; outline

Synonyms: Depict, portray, trace

Main Entry: demagogue Part of Speech: noun

Definition: agitating person

Synonyms: Agitator, fanatic, incendiary

Main Entry: demarcation

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: boundary, division

Synonyms: Bound, confine

Main Entry: demean Part of Speech: verb

Definition: humble, humiliate

Synonyms: Abase, disparage

Antonyms: Boost, enhance

Main Entry: demure Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: reserved, affected

Synonyms: Bashful, decorous, reticent

Notes: demur is the verb 'to object or voice opposition' while **demure** is the adjective meaning 'modest, shy'

Antonyms: Aggressive, extroverted

Main Entry: denigrate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: belittle, malign

Synonyms: Besmirch, blister, impugn

Antonyms: Boost, cherish

Main Entry: denounce Part of Speech: verb

Definition: condemn, attack

Synonyms: adjudicate, impugn, ostracize, proscribe

Antonyms: Approve, commend

Main Entry: deplore Part of Speech: verb

Definition: regret; condemn

Synonyms: Abhor, bemoan

Main Entry: depravity Part of Speech: noun

Definition: corruption, immorality

Synonyms: Abandonment, debauchery, perversion, profligacy

Antonyms: Honor, morality, nobility

Main Entry: deprecate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: belittle, condemn

Synonyms: Depreciate, expostulate, mudsling,

Antonyms: Approve, commend

Main Entry: derelict Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: careless, negligent

Synonyms: delinquent, lax, remiss, slack

Antonyms: Careful

Main Entry: deride Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make fun of; insult

Synonyms: Banter, detract, disparage

Antonyms: Commend, praise, revere

Main Entry: derivative **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: borrowed, transmitted from source

Synonyms: Acquired, cognate

Antonyms: Inventive, unique

Main Entry: desecrate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: abuse, violate

Synonyms: Contaminate, desolate, devastate

Antonyms: Honor, praise, sanctify

Main Entry: desiccate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: take moisture out of

Synonyms: Divest, exsiccate, parch, sear, shrivel

Antonyms: Moisten, wet

Main Entry:desolatePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:unused, barren

Synonyms: Derelict, isolated, solitary

Notes: lonely adds to solitary a suggestion of longing for companionship, while **lonesome** heightens the suggestion of sadness; **forlorn** and **desolate** are even more isolated and sad

Antonyms: Cultivated, used

Main Entry:despondentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:depressed

Synonyms: Dejected, forlorn, melancholy, morose, woebegone,

wretched

Antonyms: Cheerful, elated, happy

Main Entry:despotPart of Speech:nounDefinition:dictator

Synonyms: Oppressor, tyrant

Main Entry: destitute Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: down and out; wanting

Synonyms: Bereft, depleted, impecunious, impoverished

Antonyms: Lucky, prosperous

Main Entry: deter Part of Speech: verb

Definition: check, inhibit from action

Synonyms: Impede, obviate, preclude, avert, daunt

Antonyms: Encourage, instigate

Main Entry: devious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: dishonest, crafty

Synonyms: Deceitful, duplicitous, errant, surreptitious

Antonyms: Artless, honest

Main Entry: dialect Part of Speech: noun

Definition: local speech

Synonyms: cant, lingo, patois, slang, vernacular

Notes: a dialect is geographical or social variety of speech, whereas dialectic is a form of reasoning or argumentation that focuses on resolving contradictions

Main Entry: diaphanous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: fine, see-through

Synonyms: Chiffon, gauzy, gossamer, pellucid

Antonyms: Opaque, thick

Main Entry:didacticPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:educational

Synonyms: Donnish, exhortative, homiletic,

Main Entry: diffident Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: hesitant; unconfident

Synonyms: Bashful, coy, demure

Antonyms: Bold, confident

Main Entry:diffusePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:spread out

Synonyms: broadcast, universal

Antonyms: Compact, concentrated, confined

Main Entry: dilatory
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: procrastinating

Synonyms: deliberate, laggard

Antonyms: Diligent, eager

Main Entry: discordant Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: not in harmony; conflicting

Synonyms: Contradictory, discrepant, dissonant, divergent,

grating, incongruous, strident

Antonyms: Agreeable, concordant

Main Entry: discrepancy

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: conflict, disagreement

Synonyms: Contrariety, disparity, dissonance, incongruity

Antonyms: Agreement, concordance, parity

Main Entry: discretion Part of Speech: noun

Definition: caution, judgment

Synonyms: acumen, deliberation, diplomacy, discernment,

gumption, perspicacity, sagacity, solicitude

Antonyms: Carelessness, indiscretion

Main Entry:discursivePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:ambling

Synonyms: Deviating, erratic, prolix, roving

Main Entry: disdain Part of Speech: noun

Definition: hate; indifference

Synonyms: aversion, hauteur, insolence Notes: contempt is a

more engaged, more involved feeling of disapproval than disdain

Antonyms: Admiration, esteem

Main Entry: disgruntled Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: unhappy; critical

Synonyms: Annoyed, cranky, griping, grouchy, grousing,

grumpy, sullen, vexed

Antonyms: Contented, satisfied

Main Entry: dishearten Part of Speech: verb

Definition: depress, ruin one's hopes

Synonyms: Crush, daunt, disparage,

Antonyms: Encourage, hearten, inspirit

Main Entry: disparage Part of Speech: verb

Definition: criticize; detract from

Synonyms: Degrade, denigrate, malign, scorch

Antonyms: Approve, flatter, laud, praise

Main Entry: disparate Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: at odds, different

Synonyms: contrary, various

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Main Entry: ebullient
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: enthusiastic

Synonyms: agitated, buoyant, elated, exhilarated, exuberant, frothy

Antonyms: apathetic, disinterested

Main Entry: eclectic

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: comprehensive, general

Synonyms: assorted, catholic, dilettantish

Notes: eclectic means selecting what seems best of various

styles, methods, or ideas while **esoteric** means intended for and understandable by only a small

knowledgeable group

Antonyms: specific, unvaried

Main Entry: ecstatic

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: very happy, blissful

Synonyms: beatific, delirious, elated, euphoric despaired, sorrowful, tormented

Main Entry: edict
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: pronouncement, order

Synonyms: canon, decree, dictate, enactment, manifesto, precept

Notes: an **edict** is a formal or authoritative proclamation; an

addict is someone who is physiologically dependent on a substance or someone who is a devoted supporter or

fan

Main Entry: efface
Part of Speech: *verb*Definition: erase

Synonyms: delete, eliminate, expunge, obliterate

Main Entry: effervescent **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: fizzing, foaming

Synonyms: expansive, fermenting, frothing, resilient

Antonyms: flat, stale

Main Entry: effervescent

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: enthusiastic, vivacious

Synonyms: <u>animated</u>, <u>ebullient</u>, exhilarated, <u>exuberant</u>

Antonyms: inactive, sober

Main Entry: efficacious

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: efficient, productive

Synonyms: competent, effectual, potent, puissant

Notes: effective means 'having a (desired) result or effect,'

effectual is 'succeeding in producing a desired result or effect,' and **efficacious** means the same as effectual as well as 'serving as an effective solution or remedy' if something is **efficacious**, it is able to produce the desired result; **efficacy** means the power to produce

effects

Antonyms: <u>incapable</u>, <u>inefficient</u>

Main Entry: effrontery
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: nerve, boldness

Synonyms: <u>audacity</u>, impertinence, <u>impudence</u>, <u>insolence</u>

Notes: effrontery means shameless boldness or insulting

presumptuousness while an **affront** is a deliberately

offensive act or open insult

Antonyms: manners, modesty

Main Entry: effulgent **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: glowing, luminous

Synonyms: beaming, <u>incandescent</u>, lambent, lucent

Main Entry: egregious
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: outstandingly bad; outrageous

Synonyms: arrant, atrocious, heinous, nefarious, notorious

Notes: egregious means conspicuously and outrageously bad

or reprehensible; **exceptional** means well above average or surpassing what is common or usual or

expected

Antonyms: minor, slight

Main Entry: elaborate **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: intricate; involved

Synonyms: elegant, embellished, labyrinthine, ornate, ostentatious

Antonyms: normal, regular

Main Entry: elated
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: very happy

Synonyms: blissful, ecstatic, elevated, euphoric, jubilant

Antonyms: depressed, sorrowful

Main Entry: elegy
Part of Speech: noun
Definition: dirge

Synonyms: knell, lament, plaint, requiem, threnody

Main Entry: elicit
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: draw out

Synonyms: badger, educe, evince, squeeze

Notes: elicit means to call forth emotions, feelings, and

responses or to bring out or draw out, while **illicit** means contrary to or forbidden by law - unlawful

Antonyms: hide, suppress

Main Entry: eloquent **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: having a skillful way with words

Synonyms: ardent, articulate, fecund, fervid, magniloquent,

rhetorical

Antonyms: dull, inarticulate

Main Entry: elucidate
Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: explain in detail

Synonyms: annotate, exemplify, explicate, illuminate

Antonyms: confuse, distract, obscure

Main Entry: elude Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: avoid; escape

Synonyms: <u>circumvent</u>, <u>confound</u>, <u>eschew</u>, <u>evade</u>, <u>thwart</u>

Notes: elude means to escape or evade from while allude

means to make a more or less indirect reference to

Antonyms: confront, entice

Main Entry: emaciated **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: undernourished; thin

Synonyms: anorexic, atrophied, attenuate, cadaverous, gaunt,

haggard

Antonyms: fat, over nourished, plump

Main Entry: embellish
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make beautiful; decorate

Synonyms: adorn, amplify, array, ornament

Antonyms: deface, mar

Main Entry: embezzle

Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: steal money, often from employer

Synonyms: abstract, defalcate, filch, peculate, pilfer, purloin

Antonyms: compensate, reimburse

Main Entry: emend
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: correct

Synonyms: alter, amend, emendate, redact

Notes: when you **amend** a text, you change it - usually for

the better and when you **emend** a text, you simply correct the mistakes; whereas one can amend various aspects of conduct or behavior, emend is used if the issue at hand is that of a manuscript, speech, or

literary product

Antonyms: make mistake, <u>worsen</u>

Main Entry: eminent **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: very important; famous

Synonyms: celebrated, conspicuous, exalted, illustrious,

paramount

Notes: if you mean 'famous' or 'superior,' you want **eminent**;

if you mean 'impending, about to happen' that is **imminent**; and if you mean 'present, inherent,' your

word is **immanent**

Antonyms: disrespected, inferior

Main Entry:emollientPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:soothing

Synonyms: balsamic, demulcent, lenitive, palliative

Main Entry: emollient
Part of Speech: noun
Definition: lotion

Synonyms: lenitive, liniment, salve, unguent

Main Entry: emote Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: express emotion

Synonyms: <u>exaggerate</u>, overplay

Main Entry: empathy Part of Speech: noun

Definition: understanding

Synonyms: <u>affinity</u>, <u>comprehension</u>, <u>concord</u>

Notes: empathy denotes a deep emotional understanding of another's

feelings or problems, while **sympathy** is more general and can

apply to small annoyances or setbacks

sympathy means the stimulation in a person of feelings that are similar in kind to those that affect another person; **empathy** means a mental or affective projection into the feelings or state of

mind of another person

Antonyms: apathy, misunderstanding

Main Entry: empirical/empiric

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: practical; based on experience

Synonyms: experiment, factual, observational, pragmatic

Antonyms: hypothetical, speculative, theoretical

Notes: empirical describes results determined by experiment and

observed behavior or facts; **theoretical** describes results that are based on guesswork or hypothesis - and **pragmatic** is contrasted with theoretical on the grounds that the former proceeds from what is demonstrably practical, the latter from conjecture

Main Entry: emulate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: copy the actions of

Synonyms: challenge, compete, imitate

Notes: emulate means to strive to equal, excel, or match by imitating;

imitate means to reproduce or copy someone's behavior or looks

Main Entry: enamor
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: fascinate, captivate

Synonyms: <u>enchant</u>, <u>enrapture</u>, <u>enthrall</u>

Antonyms: dislike, hate

Main Entry: encore
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: another round of applause; repeat **Synonyms:** acclamation, plaudits, <u>repetition</u>

Main Entry: encumber

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: bother, burden

Synonyms: clog, cramp, discommode, hamper, impede,

Antonyms: aid, assist
Main Entry: enervate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: tire, wear out

Synonyms: <u>debilitate</u>, <u>fatique</u>, jade, <u>sap</u>, <u>vitiate</u>

Notes: energize means to cause to be alert or to invigorate while

enervate means to weaken mentally or morally

enervate means 'drain energy or vigor from' (from Latin enervare 'weaken by extraction of the sinews') and innervate means 'supply with energy' (Latin in- 'in' and nervus 'strength, vigor, energy') innervate means 'to stimulate or give nervous energy,' the

opposite of enervate

Antonyms: empower, energize, invigorate

Main Entry: enfranchise

Part of Speech: *verb*Definition: set free

Synonyms: citizenries, <u>emancipate</u>

Antonyms: enslave

Main Entry: engender

Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: cause to happen; cause an action

Synonyms: arouse, beget, breed, incite, muster, procreate

Antonyms: finish, halt

Main Entry: enigmatic/enigmatical

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: mysterious

Synonyms: ambiguous, cryptic, inexplicable, obscure, oracular

Antonyms: clear, obvious

Main Entry: enigmatic

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: mysterious

Synonyms: cryptic, enigmatical, equivocal, obscure, occult, oracular

Antonyms: clear, known, obvious, plain

Main Entry: enmity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: hatred, animosity

Synonyms: acrimony, alienation, antagonism, malevolence, malice, rancor

Antonyms: affinity, fellowship, friendship, good will, kindness, love

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Synonyms: Enmity, hostility, alienation, malevolence

Antonyms: friendship
Main Entry: entail
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: require; result in

Synonyms: <u>encompass</u>, <u>occasion</u>, <u>tangle</u>

Main Entry: enthrall
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: captivate

Synonyms: beguile, fascinate, hypnotize, intrigue, rivet

Antonyms: bore, weary

Main Entry: ephemeral Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: momentary, passing

Synonyms: brief, evanescent, fleeting, fugacious, transitory, volatile

Antonyms: enduring, eternal, perpetual

Main Entry: epitome
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: abbreviation

Synonyms: compendium, conspectus, précis, recapitulation, synopsis

Antonyms: addition, expansion,

Main Entry: equanimity

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: levelheadedness

Synonyms: aplomb, equability, imperturbability, phlegm

Antonyms: agitation, anxiety

Main Entry: equivocal **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: doubtful, uncertain

Synonyms: ambiguous, dubious, oblique, obscure, tenebrous

Notes: ambiguous is vague by accident or intent; equivocal is vague by

intent

Antonyms: <u>clear</u>, <u>obvious</u>

Main Entry: erudite
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: well-educated, cultured

Synonyms: savvy, scholastic, **Antonyms:** common, ignorant

Main Entry: eschew Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: have nothing to do with **Synonyms:** abandon, abjure, abstain

Antonyms: embrace, like

Main Entry: esoteric
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: mysterious, obscure

Synonyms: abstruse, arcane, cabalistic, cryptic, inscrutable, mystic, occult,

profound

Notes: eclectic means selecting what seems best of various styles,

methods, or ideas while **esoteric** means intended for and understandable by only a small knowledgeable group

Antonyms: familiar, obvious

Main Entry: espouse Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: stand up for; support

Synonyms: <u>accept</u>, <u>adopt</u>
Antonyms: forsake, reject

Main Entry: espouse
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: marry

Synonyms: betroth, unite

Antonyms: divorce

Main Entry: ethereal

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: delicate, heavenly

Synonyms: aerial, celestial, gossamer, spiritual, tenuous

Antonyms: earthly, worldly

Main Entry: etymology

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: word history

Synonyms: derivation, etymon, source

Notes: entomology is the study of insects while etymology is the study of

the sources and development of words

Main Entry:evanescentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:transient

Synonyms: brief, fading, fleeting, tenuous

Main Entry: evince Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: manifest

Synonyms: <u>attest</u>, <u>indicate</u>, <u>prove</u>

Main Entry: exacerbate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: infuriate; make worse

Synonyms: aggravate, envenom, vex, worsen

Notes: to **aggravate** is to make something worse, while to **exacerbate** is

to increase something's bitterness or harshness

Antonyms: aid, soothe

Main Entry: exalt

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: promote, praise

Synonyms: aggrandize, ennoble, erect, extol, laud, magnify

Notes: exalt means to elevate, praise, or raise a person or thing; exult

means to rejoice greatly

Antonyms: castigate, condemn, criticize

Main Entry: exasperate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: upset, provoke

Synonyms: aggravate, exacerbate, incense, infuriate, irk,

Antonyms: comfort, placate, soothe

Main Entry: excavate
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: dig up

Synonyms: <u>hollow</u>, <u>quarry</u>, <u>scoop</u>, <u>scrape</u>,

Antonyms: fill

Main Entry: exculpate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: forgive

Synonyms: acquit, amnesty, exonerate, vindicate

Notes: to exculpate is 'to free from accusation or blame' while exonerate is

literally 'to free from a burden'

Antonyms: blame, condemn, sentence

Main Entry: excursion
Part of Speech: noun
Definition: journey

Synonyms: digression, expedition, ramble

Main Entry: abhorrent
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: disgusting

Synonyms: despicable, execrable, loathsome

Main Entry: exhort Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: urge, warn

Synonyms: admonish, incite, preach, prick, prod, spur

Main Entry: exigent **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: urgent, pressing

Synonyms: acute, clamant, imperative, insistent, menacing

Antonyms: ordinary, usual

Main Entry: exorbitant

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: extravagant, excessive

Synonyms: <u>enormous</u>, extortionate, <u>inordinate</u>, <u>towering</u>

Antonyms: <u>cheap</u>, <u>moderate</u>

Main Entry: exonerate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: excuse, clear of responsibility or blame

Synonyms: acquit, exculpate, liberate, sanitize, vindicate

Notes: to **exculpate** is 'to free from accusation or blame' while **exonerate**

is literally 'to free from a burden'

Antonyms: accuse, condemn, incarcerate

Main Entry: expedient Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: worthwhile, appropriate

Synonyms: beneficial, judicious, opportune, pragmatic, prudent

Antonyms: inappropriate, inexpedient

Main Entry: expedient
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: resource

Synonyms: contrivance, maneuver, refuge, stratagem

Main Entry: expiate
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: make amends for

Synonyms: amend, compensate, redeem

Main Entry: expunge Part of Speech: verb

Definition: destroy, obliterate

Synonyms: abolish, annihilate, annul, extirpate

Antonyms: build, construct

Main Entry: expurgate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: censor, cut

Synonyms: cleanse, decontaminate, lustrate, purge, purify

Antonyms: allow, permit

Main Entry: extant

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: in existence

Synonyms: contemporary, instant

Antonyms: dead, extinct

Main Entry: extol
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: sing the praises of

Synonyms: acclaim, bless, eulogize, exalt, hymn, laud

Antonyms: blame, criticize

Main Entry: extraneous

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: unneeded; irrevelant

Synonyms: accidental, impertinent, peripheral, redundant, superfluous,

Antonyms: appropriate, integral, pertinent

Main Entry: extraneousPart of Speech: adjectiveDefinition: foreign

Synonyms: adventitious, alien, exotic, extrinsic

Antonyms: national, native

Main Entry: extricate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: get out of a situation; relieve of responsibility

Synonyms: <u>deliver, detach, disencumber, sever</u>

Antonyms: entangle, involve

Main Entry: exultPart of Speech: verbDefinition: be joyful

Synonyms: cheer, jubilate, rejoice

Notes: exalt means to elevate, praise, or raise a person or thing; exult

means to rejoice greatly

Antonyms: grieve, mourn

Main Entry: exult
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: boast

Synonyms: bluster, brag, triumph, vaunt

Antonyms: conceal, hide

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Main Entry: fabricate
Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: manufacture

Synonyms: cobble up, <u>concoct</u>, <u>contrive</u>, <u>erect</u>

Antonyms: <u>break</u>, <u>demolish</u>, <u>wreck</u>

Main Entry: fabricate **Part of Speech:** *verb*

Definition: falsify, make up a story

Synonyms: concoct, contrive, <u>feign</u>, fib, <u>forge</u>

Antonyms: tell truth
Main Entry: facade

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: appearance, often deceptive

Synonyms: bluff, guise, phony, pretense, semblance

Antonyms: character, personality

Main Entry: façade
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: false front

Synonyms: <u>cloak</u>, <u>masquerade</u>, pretense, semblance

Main Entry: facile **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: easy; easily mastered

Synonyms: accomplished, adept, adroit, apparent, articulate, superficial

Antonyms: arduous, complicated, profound

Main Entry: fallacious

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: false, wrong

Synonyms: beguiling, deceiving, deluding, <u>erroneous</u>, sophistic, <u>spurious</u>,

Notes: fallacious means intended to deceive: fallible means liable t

fallacious means intended to deceive; **fallible** means liable to make a mistake or to be inaccurate or erroneous; **false** means not

in accordance with the fact or reality or actuality, or deliberately

deceptive, or not genuine or real

Antonyms: correct, truthful

Main Entry: fastidious **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: very careful, meticulous

Synonyms: captious, dainty, demanding, finicky, punctilious, queasy,

squeamish,

Antonyms: <u>indifferent</u>, <u>uncouth</u>

Main Entry: fathom
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: discern, understand

Synonyms: appreciate, apprehend, penetrate, perceive, probe

Antonyms: <u>misunderstand</u>, not get

Main Entry:fecundPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:productive

Synonyms: breeding, fertile, prolife rant, prolific, spawning

Antonyms: impotent, sterile

Main Entry: felicitous **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: appropriate, suitable

Synonyms: applicable, apposite, apt, pertinent

Antonyms: inappropriate, infelicitous, inopportune

Main Entry: feral

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: untamed

Synonyms: brutal, ferocious, **Main Entry:** fervent/fervid

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: enthusiastic, excited

Synonyms: ardent, devout, ecstatic, pious, unfeigned, vehement

Antonyms: discouraged, dispirited, impassive

Main Entry: fetidPart of Speech: adjectiveDefinition: foul, rancid

Synonyms: fusty, loathsome, lousy, malodorous, mephitic, noxious, putrid,

repugnant

Antonyms: aromatic, clean, fragrant

Main Entry: fetter
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: tie up, hold

Synonyms: <u>bind</u>, clog, <u>hinder</u>, hobble, manacle, <u>repress</u>

Notes: a **manacle** (handcuff shackle) comes from Latin manus 'hand';

the ankle counterpart is **fetter**

Antonyms: <u>free</u>, <u>release</u>

Main Entry: fickle **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: vacillating, blowing hot and cold **Synonyms:** arbitrary, capricious, coquettish

Antonyms: cognizant, reliable, steady

Main Entry: fidelity
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: faithfulness in a relationship

Synonyms: allegiance, ardor, fealty, loyalty, piety

Antonyms: infidelity, lying, treachery

Main Entry: figurative **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition:

not literal, but symbolic

Synonyms: allegorical, emblematic, ornate **Antonyms:** literal, real, straightforward

Main Entry: flabbergast

Part of Speech: *verb*Definition: surprise

Synonyms: abash, astound, overwhelm

Antonyms: expect

Main Entry: flaccid

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: drooping

Synonyms: debilitated, emasculated, enervated, lax, limp

Antonyms: firm, taut, tight

Main Entry: flagrant **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: flaunting, blatant; without shame

Synonyms: arrant, atrocious, egregious, notorious, ostentatious

Notes: flagrant implies shocking and reprehensible, while blatant is

obvious, contrived, and usually obnoxious; flagrant is a stronger

term than blatant

Antonyms: <u>concealed</u>, <u>mild</u>, <u>restrained</u>

Main Entry: florid

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: very elaborate

Synonyms: aureate, baroque, embellished, euphuistic, figurative,

flamboyant, magniloquent, ornate, rhetorical, sonorous

Notes: floriated means 'decorated with flowers' while florid is 'blooming

with flowers'

Antonyms: natural, plain

Main Entry: flout
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: show contempt for

Synonyms: affront, defy

Notes: one flaunts (makes much of) something of one's own (wealth,

good looks, education) while one flouts (disregards or violates) something outside oneself (convention, law, regulation); to flaunt is to show off and to flout is to treat with contempt or

disregard with smugness

Antonyms: honor, respect

Main Entry: forage **Part of Speech:** *verb*

Definition: search madly for

Synonyms: explore, pilfer, plunder, raid, rake, scour

Main Entry: forbearance

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: resisting, avoidance

Synonyms: <u>abstinence</u>, <u>endurance</u>, <u>fortitude</u>

Antonyms: continuation, indulgence

Main Entry: forestall
Part of Speech: verb

Definition: keep from happening

Synonyms: anticipate, avert, deter, thwart

Main Entry: forlorn **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: hopeless, inconsolable

Synonyms: abandoned, cynical, futile, pessimistic, solitary, woebegone

Notes: lonely adds to solitary a suggestion of longing for companionship,

while lonesome heightens the suggestion of sadness; forlorn and

desolate are even more isolated and sad

Antonyms: cheerful, consolable, happy

Main Entry: forsake
Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: abandon, turn one's back on

Synonyms: abdicate, forgo, jettison, jilt, relinquish, repudiate

Antonyms: return, revert

Main Entry: fortitude
Part of Speech: noun

Definition: strength of mind; guts

Synonyms: endurance, grit, intrepidity, mettle, tenacity, valiancy, valor,

Antonyms: cowardice, weakness

Main Entry: fortuitous **Part of Speech:** adjective

Definition: lucky, accidental **Synonyms:** arbitrary, contingent

Notes: accidental stresses chance; fortuitous so strongly suggests chance

that it often connotes absence of cause

aleatory refers to the present or future while fortuitous is more

about past events

fortunate means having unexpected good fortune or luck;

fortuitous means happening by chance or coming or occurring by

accident or without any known cause

Antonyms: calculated, deliberate, intentional

Main Entry: forum

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: meeting

Synonyms: colloquium, conclave, congregation

Main Entry: foster
Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: promote, support

Synonyms: advance, champion, foment, harbor, nurture

Antonyms: condemn, discourage

Main Entry: foster
Part of Speech: *verb*

Definition: give care or accommodation to **Synonyms:** assist, nourish, oblige, sustain

Antonyms: ignore, neglect

Main Entry: fraught
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: full of

Synonyms: <u>abounding</u>, bristling, <u>laden</u>, <u>replete</u>

Antonyms: empty
Main Entry: frenetic
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: maniacal

Synonyms: corybantic, delirious, demented, frenzied, insane

Notes: frantic (from Latin phrenecticus 'frenetic') pertains to a mental

state or condition, to a frame of mind, whereas that of frenetic

pertains rather to a type of behavior or conduct

Antonyms: balanced, calm

Main Entry: frivolous

Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: trivial, silly

Synonyms: barmy, facetious, juvenile, volatile, whimsical

Antonyms: grave, mature, sensible, serious, solemn, thoughtful, wise

Main Entry: frugal
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: economical

Synonyms: <u>abstemious</u>, <u>canny</u>, <u>meticulous</u>, <u>parsimonious</u>, <u>prudent</u>, <u>thrifty</u>

Notes: frugal refers more directly to practicing economy in the course of

shopping for goods or services, whereas **thrifty** applies more to

the preservation of funds

Antonyms: generous, lavish

Main Entry: furtive **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: sneaky, secretive

Synonyms: cautious, clandestine, cloaked, covert, elusive, evasive

Antonyms: forthright, honest

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Main Entry: garish
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: flashy, tasteless

Synonyms: blatant, brazen, meretricious, ornate, ostentatious

Antonyms: discreet, modest

Main Entry:garrulousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:talkative

Synonyms: babbling, effusive, glib, gushing, loquacious, prolix

Antonyms: <u>reserved</u>, <u>silent</u>

Main Entry:genialPart of Speech:adjective

Definition: extremely nice and happy

Synonyms: affable, amiable, blithe, congenial, jocund, jovial

Antonyms: aloof, cranky, irritable

Main Entry: goad

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: stimulus

Synonyms: <u>catalyst</u>, <u>impetus</u>, impulsion, lash, <u>prod</u>, <u>spur</u>

Antonyms: deterrent, diversion, restraint

Main Entry: gourmand

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: epicure

Synonyms: connoisseur, glutton, gourmet

Notes: the **gourmand** rates quantity higher than quality and the

gourmet adopts the opposite approach; a gourmand is one whose chief pleasure is eating and a gourmet is a connoisseur of food and

wines

Main Entry: grandiloquence

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: bombast

Synonyms: <u>boastful</u>, <u>eloquence</u>, fustian, magniloquence, <u>rant</u>, turgidity

Notes: magniloquence refers to a language that is lofty and

extravagant, whereas **grandiloquence** refers to a language that is

pompous or bombastic

Main Entry: gratuitous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: free

Synonyms: <u>complimentary</u>, gratis, <u>spontaneous</u>, <u>willing</u>

Notes: grateful means feeling or showing gratitude or feeling

thankful; gratified means having received what was desired; gratuitous means costing nothing or free -

unnecessary or unwarranted - without cause

Antonyms: costly, expensive

Main Entry:gregariousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:friendly

Synonyms: affable, clubby, convivial, cordial

Antonyms: <u>cool</u>, <u>introverted</u>

Main Entry: grievous **Part of Speech:** *adjective*

Definition: severe, painful; serious

Synonyms: afflicting, agonizing, appalling, atrocious, calamitous, deplorable,

dire, egregious, flagrant, offensive, onerous

Antonyms: good, pleasant

Main Entry: guile Part of Speech: noun

Definition: slyness, cleverness

Synonyms: artifice, chicanery, dissemblance, treachery

Antonyms: honesty, naivety

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Main Entry:haughtyPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:arrogant

Synonyms: cavalier*, conceited, contemptuous, egotistic, hoity-toity, imperious, lofty, on high horse, sniffy snooty, snotty, stuck-up, supercilious, superior, uppity

Antonyms: meek, shy

Main Entry: hackneyed Part of Speech: adjective Clichéd, tired

Synonyms: banal, conventional, corny*, hokey, moth-eaten pedestrian*, quotidian, stereotyped, threadbare, tripe, trite,

Antonyms: original, uncommon

Main Entry:hallowedPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:holy, revered

Synonyms: anointed, beatified, consecrated, enshrined, inviolable, sacrosanct, sanctified, unprofane

Antonyms: Desecrated, profane, unsanctified

Main Entry:haplessPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:unfortunate

Synonyms: hexed, ill-fated, infelicitous, jinxed, Jonah, untoward, voodooed,

woeful, wretched

Antonyms: Fortuitous, fortunate, lucky, well-off

Main Entry: harangue noun

Definition: long lecture

Synonyms: diatribe, exhortation, jeremiad, philippic, screed, sermon, spiel*,

spouting, tirade

Main Entry: hardy
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: strong, tough

Synonyms: acclimatized, brawny, burly, hefty, indefatigable, inured, rugged, stalwart, staunch, tenacious,

Notes: hardy means 'strong, durable, capable' - while **hearty** means 'strong' in a more active way as in hearty appetite, applause, meal

Antonyms: infirm, tender, unhealthy,

Main Entry: harrowing Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: dangerous, frightening

Synonyms: agonizing, chilling, excruciating, heart-rending, racking,

tormenting, traumatic

Antonyms: Calming, pleasant

Main Entry: hedonist Part of Speech: noun

Definition: person who seeks pleasure above other values

Synonyms: Bon vivant, debauchee, epicure, gourmand, lecher, libertine, profligate, sensualist, sybarite, voluptuary

Antonyms: ascetic

Main Entry: hegemony Part of Speech: noun dominion

Synonyms: Authority, predominance

Main Entry: heinous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: horrifying, monstrous

Synonyms: abhorrent, atrocious, execrable, flagitious, flagrant, iniquitous, nefarious, raunchy, scandalous, vicious,

Antonyms: Glorious, magnificent

Main Entry: heterogeneous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: assorted, miscellaneous

Synonyms: amalgamate, composite, conglomerate incongruous, mosaic,

unallied, variegated

Antonyms: Homogeneous

Main Entry: hiatus Part of Speech: noun

Definition: pause, interruption

Synonyms: aperture, breach, , interim, lacuna, lapse, rift,

Antonyms: Continuation

Main Entry:hierarchyPart of Speech:nounDefinition:order

Synonyms: due order, echelons, pecking order, pyramid,

Main Entry: hypocrisy Part of Speech: noun

Definition: deceitfulness, pretense

Synonyms: affectation, bigotry, cant, casuistry, deceit, dissembling, double-dealing, glibness, mockery, pharisaicalness, pharisaic, phoniness, pietism, quackery, sanctimoniousness, sanctimony, speciousness, unctuousness

Antonyms: Forthrightness, righteousness, sincerity,

Main Entry: hypothetical Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: guessed, assumed

Synonyms: assumptive, concocted, conjecturable, conjectural, contestable, debatable, equivocal, postulated, presumptive, presupposed, , problematic, stochastic, theoreticu, vague

Antonyms: factual, measured, proved

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Main Entry: iconoclast Part of Speech: noun detractor

Synonyms: Cynic, dissident, heretic,

Main Entry:idiosyncraticPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:peculiar

Synonyms: Distinctive, personal

Main Entry:idolatrousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:fetishistic

Synonyms: Heathen, pagan

Main Entry:ignominiousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:humiliating

Synonyms: Discreditable, inglorious

Main Entry: illicit
Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: not legal; forbidden

Synonyms: adulterous, contraband, felonious, furtive

Notes: elicit means to call forth emotions, feelings, and responses or to bring out or draw out, while **illicit** means contrary to or forbidden by law - unlawful literally, **illegitimate** is 'not lawful' and **illicit** is 'not allowed' a form of conduct will be **illicit** and a type of practice will be **illegal**

Antonyms: Blessed, legitimate, licit

Main Entry: immerse Part of Speech: verb

Definition: submerge in liquid

Synonyms: asperse, baptize, bathe, bury, souse

Notes: immerse means to thrust into or engross fully; **submerge** means sink below the surface or put under water

Antonyms: Dry, retrieve

Main Entry:immutablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:unchangeable

Synonyms: Abiding, perpetual, sacrosanct, steadfast,

Antonyms: Alterable, mutable

Main Entry: impeccable Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: above suspicion; flawless

Synonyms: Aces, immaculate, infallible, unblemished, unerring,

unflawed

Antonyms: Blemished, flawed

Main Entry: impecunious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: poverty-stricken

Synonyms: Beggared, impoverished, strapped

Antonyms: Moneyed, rich

Main Entry:imperativePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:necessary

Synonyms: Clamant, exigent, obligatory

Antonyms: Inessential, optional

Main Entry: imperious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: bossy, overbearing

Synonyms: despotic, dictatorial, domineering, haughty, peremptory,

tyrannical

Notes: imperial pertains to the qualities of power and royalty; **imperious** implies that someone is overbearing or domineering

Antonyms: Fawning, servile, subservient

Main Entry: impertment Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: bold, disrespectful

Synonyms: Contumelious, lippy, meddlesome, presumptuous, prying

Antonyms: Kind, mannered

Main Entry: impervious Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: unable to be penetrated

Synonyms: Hermetic, unpierceable, unreceptive

Antonyms: Exposed, penetrable

Main Entry: impetuous Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: acting without thinking

Synonyms: Ardent, fervid, precipitate, spontaneous, unbridled

Antonyms: Calm, cautious, circumspect,

Main Entry:impingePart of Speech:verbDefinition:trespass

Synonyms: encroach, infringe, intrude, invade, meddle, obtrude, pry

Notes: to **impinge** is to come into contact or encroach or have an impact; to **infringe** is to encroach on a right or privilege or to violate

Antonyms: Avoid, dodge

Main Entry: implacable Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: merciless, cruel

Synonyms: inexorable, rancorous, relentless,: placable is 'of a tolerant

nature' - the opposite of implacable

Antonyms: Kind, nice,

Main Entry: implement

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: agent, tool

Synonyms: Apparatus, contraption, contrivance,

Main Entry: implicate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: imply, involve

Synonyms: Accuse, embroil, entangle, impute,

Antonyms: Defend, pardon

Main Entry: implicit Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: included without question, inherent, absolute

Synonyms: mplicative, inarticulate, inevitable,

Notes: implicit means implied though not directly expressed; **explicit** means precisely and clearly expressed

Antonyms: Explicit, specific

Main Entry:impregnablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:unyielding

Synonyms: firm, fortified, impenetrable, invincible,

Main Entry: impudent Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: bold, shameless

Synonyms: Arrant, audacious, blatant, bumptious, contumelious,

impertinent, presumptuous

Antonyms: Humble, modest

Main Entry: impute
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: attribute

Synonyms: Adduce, ascribe, insinuate

Antonyms: Defend, guard

Main Entry:inanePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:stupid

Synonyms: Asinine, fatuous, imbecilic, jejune,

Notes: inane means silly, lacking significance or insubstantial; **insane** means mentally deranged, mad or very foolish

Antonyms: Bright, intelligent

Main Entry: inarticulate Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: unable to speak well

Synonyms: Faltering, maundering, muffled,

Antonyms: Articulate, communicative

Main Entry:incarnatePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:in bodily form

Synonyms: Exteriorized, substantiated, tangible

Main Entry: incendiary Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: causing trouble, damage

Synonyms: Demagogic, dissentious, malevolent, provocative,

Antonyms: Peacemaking

Main Entry: incessant Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: never-ending, persistent

Synonyms: Interminable, monotonous, perpetual,

Antonyms: Broken, intermittent

Main Entry: inchoate Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: undeveloped, beginning

Synonyms: Amorphous, embryonic, incipient

Antonyms: Developed, mature

Main Entry:incisivePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:intelligent

Synonyms: Concise, , perspicacious, profound, trenchant

Antonyms: Incompetent, stupid

Main Entry: inclination Part of Speech: noun

Definition: tendency, bent

Synonyms: appetite, aptitude, bias, idiosyncrasy persuasion, predilection,

proclivity, proneness,

Main Entry: incontrovertible

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: beyond dispute

Synonyms: Authentic, irrefutable, unequivocal,

Antonyms: Changeable, controvertible,

Main Entry:incorrigiblePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:bad, hopeless

Synonyms: Abandoned, inveterate, irredeemable

Antonyms: Good, manageable

Main Entry: increment Part of Speech: noun

Definition: small step toward gain

Synonyms: Accession, augmentation

Antonyms: Decrease, loss

Main Entry:incumbentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:obligatory

Synonyms: Binding, compelling

Main Entry:indefatigablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:untiring

Synonyms: Industrious, ironclad, pertinacious, strenuous

Antonyms: Fatigued, tired

Main Entry:indigenousPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:native, inborn

Synonyms: autochthonous, chthonic, congenital, connate

Antonyms: Alien, foreign

Main Entry:indigentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:poor

Synonyms: Destitute, impecunious, impoverished, penurious

Antonyms: Rich, wealthy

Main Entry: indignation

Part of Speech: noun
Definition: anger

Synonyms: animus,

Antonyms: Glee, happiness

Main Entry:indolentPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:lazy

Synonyms: Drony, lackadaisical, languid, sluggish, torpid

Antonyms: Active, energetic, enthusiastic,

Main Entry: indomitable Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: steadfast, unyielding

Antonyms: Good, virtue

Main Entry: injunction

Part of Speech: noun
Definition: decree

Synonyms: admonition, , embargo, exhortation, writ

Main Entry: innate Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: inherited, native

Synonyms: congenital, connate, inbred

Notes: the word innate means 'inborn' and should apply to living things; inherent is 'essential, intrinsic' and applies best to nonliving things like ideas

Antonyms: Acquired, extrinsic

Main Entry: innocuous
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: harmless

Synonyms: Banal, in obnoxious, insipid, jejune

Antonyms: Bad, destructive

Main Entry: introduce Part of Speech: verb

Definition: begin, institute

Synonyms: commence, inaugurate, induct

Antonyms: Close, finish

Main Entry:innuendoPart of Speech:nounDefinition:suggestion

Synonyms: Allusion, aspersion

Antonyms: Evidence, proof

Main Entry: inoculate
Part of Speech: verb
Definition: immunize

Synonyms: Inject, vaccinate

Main Entry:inquisitorPart of Speech:nounDefinition:questioner

Synonyms: interrogator, prober, res: exigent, gluttonous, importunate,

insatiate, rapacious, ravenous earcher

Main Entry: insatiable Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: voracious, wanting

Antonyms: Fulfilled, satiable

Main Entry: insidious
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: sneaky, tricky

Synonyms: Machiavellian, astute, perfidious, perilous,

surreptitious,

Notes: insidious (Latin insider 'to lie in wait for,' from sedere 'sit') describes stealthy, treacherous behavior; invidious behavior arouses ill will, animosity, or hostility

Antonyms: Fair, sincere

Main Entry: insinuate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: hint, suggest

Synonyms: Allude, ascribe, connote

Antonyms: Conceal, withhold

Main Entry: insipid

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: dull, uninteresting

Synonyms: Anemic, innocuous, jejune, mundane, nebbish,

Notes: sipid - of pleasing taste, flavor, or character - is the opposite of

insipid

Antonyms: Exciting, exhilarating

Main Entry: instigate Part of Speech: verb

Definition: I nfluence, provoke

Synonyms: Abet, actuate,

Antonyms: Halt, prevent

Main Entry: insular Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: narrow-minded

Synonyms: Bigoted, parochial, secluded

Antonyms: Broad-minded, unbiased, unprejudiced

Main Entry: insurgent
Part of Speech: adjective
Definition: rebellious

Synonyms: Anarchical, contumacious, factious, insurrectionary,

mutinous, seditious

Antonyms: Obedient, subordinate

Main Entry: integral Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: necessary, basic

Synonyms: Component, intrinsic

Antonyms: Extrinsic, supplemental

Main Entry: interject Part of Speech: verb

Definition: throw in; interrupt

Synonyms: Implant, infiltrate, infuse, insinuate, intercalate,

parenthesize

Main Entry: interlocutor

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: conversationalist

Synonyms: Dialogist, interrogator

Main Entry:interminablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:infinite

Synonyms: protracted, unceasing, uninterrupted

Antonyms: Bounded, finite

Main Entry:intimationPart of Speech:nounDefinition:clue, hint

Synonyms: Implication, inkling, innuendo, insinuation, telltale,

tinge

Main Entry: intractable /intransigent

Part of Speech: *adjective*

Definition: difficult, stubborn

Synonyms: Cantankerous, obdurate, pertinacious, perverse,

recalcitrant

Antonyms: Amenable, facile

Main Entry: intransigent Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: uncompromising

Synonyms: Adamant, tenacious

Notes: intractable means stubborn or obstinate; intransigent is this, but implies being more intense and refusing to compromise or change

Main Entry:intrepidPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:brave, nervy

Synonyms: Audacious, doughty stalwart, valiant, valorous

Antonyms: Cowardly, meek, timid

Main Entry: inundate

Part of Speech: verb

Definition: drown, overwhelm

Synonyms: Deluge, submerge, swamp, whelm

Antonyms: Underwhelm

Main Entry:inurePart of Speech:verbDefinition:accustom

Synonyms: Acclimate

Main Entry: invective Part of Speech: noun

Definition: verbal abuse

Synonyms: accusation, blasphemy, castigation, diatribe,

epithet, jeremiad, obloquy, philippic ,sarcasm, scurrility, tirade

Antonyms: Compliment, flattery

Main Entry: inveterate Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: long-standing, established

Synonyms: abiding, , chronic, enduring, entrenched

Antonyms: Short-lived

Main Entry:inviolablePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:divine

Synonyms: Holy, sacrosanct

Main Entry:irasciblePart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:crabby

Synonyms: bearish, bristly, cantankerous, choleric, feisty,

fractious, grouchy,

Notes: irate means 'angry' while irascible means 'disposed toward or easily provoked to anger' (both are from Latin ira 'anger')

Antonyms: Cheerful, happy

Main Entry: iridescent Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: rainbow-colored

Synonyms: Irises, nacreous, opaline, polychromatic, prismatic

Main Entry: irreverence

Part of Speech: noun
Definition: disrespect

Synonyms: blasphemy, flippancy, heresy

Antonyms: Regard, respect

Main Entry: irrevocable Part of Speech: adjective

Definition: fixed, unchangeable

Synonyms: Doomed, immutable, indelible

Antonyms: Alterable, reversible

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Main Entry:jubilantPart of Speech:adjectiveDefinition:happy

Synonyms: doing handsprings, elated, enraptured, euphoric, excited, exuberant, exultant, exulting, flipping, flying*, gleeful, rhapsodic, thrilled, tickled, triumphal, triumphant

Antonyms: depressed, sorrowful,

Main Entry: juxtaposition

Part of Speech: noun

Definition: adjacency

Synonyms: abutment, proximity, touching

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Main Entry:knellPart of Speech:verbDefinition:chime

Synonyms: bell, proclaim, signal, summon, toll,

Main Entry: kudos Part of Speech: noun

Definition: praise, acclaim

Synonyms: PR, eminence, esteem, flattery, illustriousness, laudation, notability, plaudits, plum, preeminence, prominence, puff, pumping up, raves, repute, strokes

Antonyms: blame, criticism